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SUBJECT: P3C MEDITERRANEAN FAMILIARIZATION FLIGHTS

- 1. U.S. NAVY DEPLOYS SQUADRON OF P3C AIRCRAFT TO SIGONELLA, SICILY ON SIX MONTH ROTATION BASIS. DURING DEPLOYMENT, EACH CREW IS PERMITTED TWO-THREE MEDITERRANEAN FAMILIARIZATION FLIGHTS. AT PRESENT, USN IS NOT ABLE TO USE ATHENS FOR THIS PURPOSE AND CONSEQUENTLY THERE ARE NO EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN AIRFIELDS AVAILABLE TO THESE CREWS.
- 2. REQUEST EMBASSY VIEWS ON WHETHER OR NOT WE SHOULD EXPLORE POSSIBILITY WITH EGYPT OF PERMITTING P3C CREWS TO FLY INTO CAIRO WEST. THIS WOULD ESSENTIALLY BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO "SHOW THE FLAG" WHILE OFFERING RELIEF FOR P3C CREWS. FLIGHTS NORMALLY INCLUDE UP TO 22 PERSONNEL, INCLUDING ONE NAVY NURSE. FREQUENCY OF FLIGHTS ANTICIPATED AT ABOUT TWO PER MONTH WITH CREWS REMAINING IN CAIRO FOR TWO NIGHTS. VANCE

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